

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action dated October 23, 2006 rejects claims 1-16, 18-26 and 29-32 under 35 U.S. C. § 102 as being anticipated by Netscape Application Builder, "User Guide," 1999 ("NAB"). The Applicant thanks the Examiner for his thorough examination of the pending claims.

The Applicant traverses the conclusions raised in the Office Action of October 23, 2006. The present invention's claimed ability to adapt to any application server supporting server-side presentation logic allows the application platform to be incorporated with a wide variety of application servers. Once the application platform is situated, any application developed for use on the platform is capable of running in the computing environment of whichever application server has been used. NAB does not provide this versatility. The Office Action of October 23, 2006 argues that NAB discloses this functionality by its description of creating Enterprise JavaBeans ("EJB"). The Office Action states "The applications [EJB applications] can be written once and then deployed on any server platform that supports EJBs." (emphasis original) Thereafter the Office Action concludes that NAB applies to any platform. However, NAB clearly states that EJB applications can be written once and then displayed on any server platform that supports EJBs. Server platforms that support EJB's and those that support server-side presentation logic are not necessarily the same. Many servers exist that support server-side presentation logic that do not support EJB. NAB describes a layer deployable on servers that only support EJBs. The claimed invention is a run-time platform operatively adaptable to any server platform capable of server-side presentation logic. The run-time platform claimed by the Applicant is more flexible and useful than that described in the NAB. Equating applications that can be displayed on any server

that supports EJB to a run-time platform that is adaptable to any server platform capable of server-side presentation logic is incorrect and in violation of MPEP 2131. The question becomes, are EJB's, as described in the NAB, adaptable to any server capable of server-side presentation logic. The answer to the question is resoundingly No. Accordingly, NAB fails to disclose each and every limitation of the claimed invention. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In view of all of the above, the claims are now believed to be allowable and the case in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed due for this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

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